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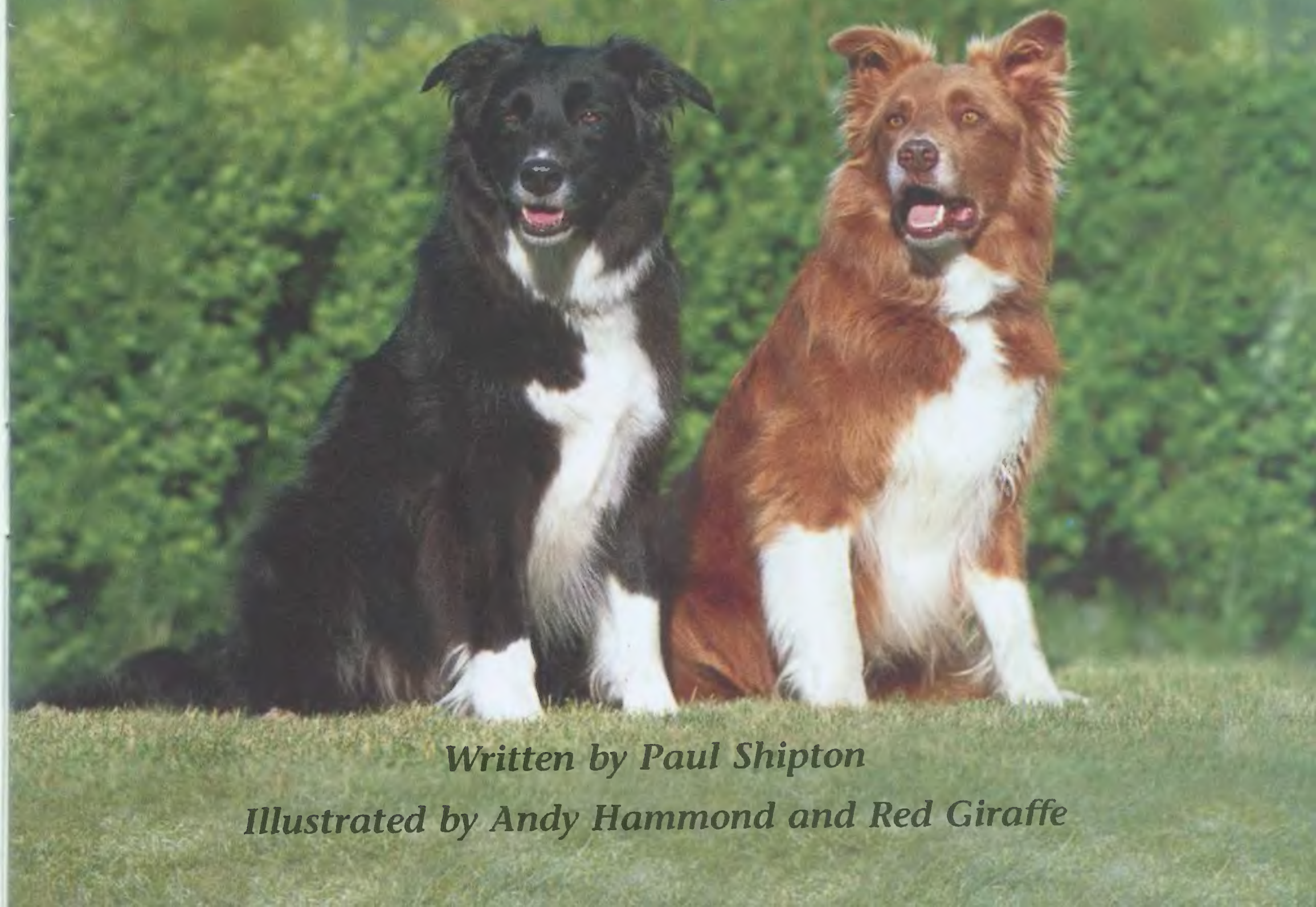



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Big and small

There are 200 million pet dogs around the world. Dogs can be different shapes and sizes. This dog is very tall. It is called an Irish Wolfhound. It can be 86 centimetres tall.



This dog is big and strong, but it can be very friendly.

Some small dogs are called toy dogs. This small dog is from Mexico. It is only 15 centimetres tall.



This dog has got big eyes and big ears.



One Yorkshire Terrier in England was only 6.3 centimetres tall and 9.5 centimetres long.

Different dogs

There are many different kinds of dogs.
Some dogs haven't got any hair. Some dogs
have got long, straight hair.



*This dog has
got curly,
black hair.*



*This dog is very
old. It was a pet
in Egypt a long
time ago.*

Some dogs can run very fast. This dog is a Greyhound. It has got long legs, a thin face and small ears.



World Record!

Greyhound runs at over 67 kilometres an hour.

Australia, 1994

This dog runs in races.

The dog family

All dogs eat meat.
Wolves and foxes
are in the dog family.
In Britain, foxes
sometimes live in
towns and cities. The
Arctic Wolf has got
white fur in the winter.



This fox has got red fur and a thick tail.



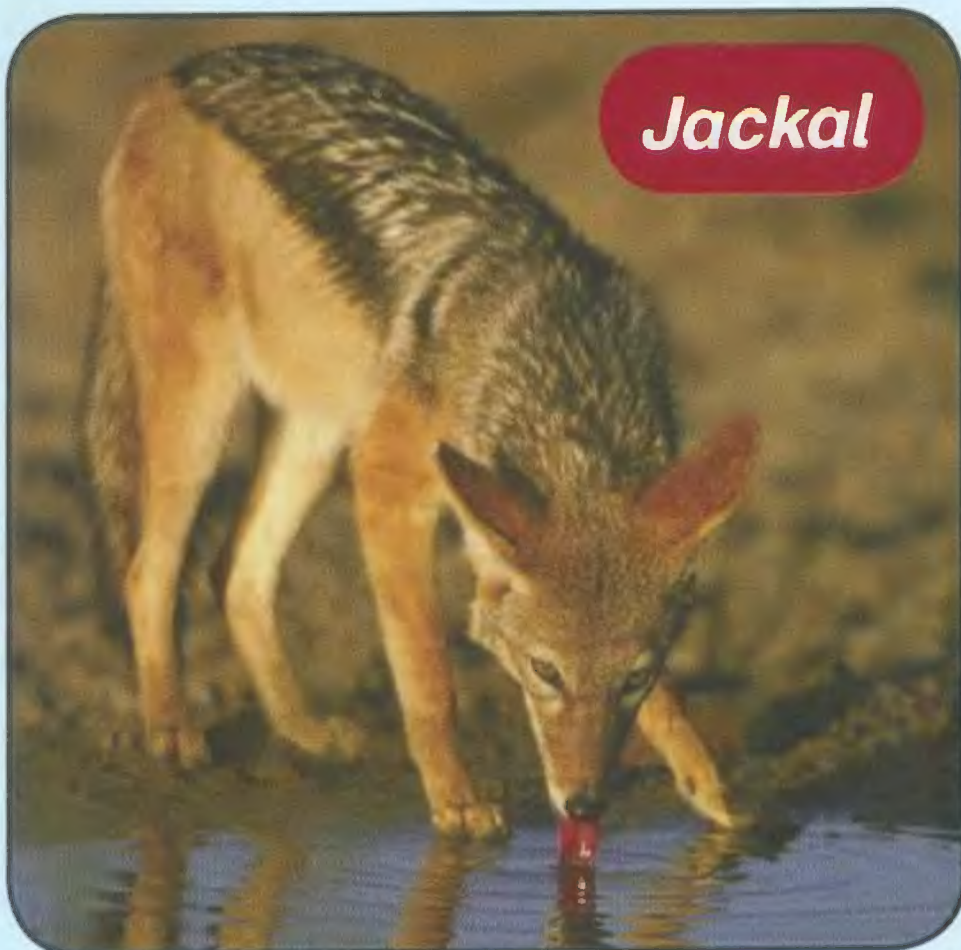
This Arctic Wolf has got sharp teeth, thick fur and strong legs.

This dog is called a dingo. It lives in Australia. Dingoes are not pets. They are wild dogs.



This dingo has got brown fur.

Jackals are in the dog family, but hyenas are not.



Jackal



Hyena

Working dogs

Not all dogs are pets. Some dogs work. People can train dogs to do lots of clever things.

The owner of this dog can't see. The dog is her 'eyes'. This dog is called a guide dog.



This dog works with sheep. It listens to the farmer's whistle.



This dog is a German Shepherd. They are strong and clever. They are one of the most useful dogs in the world.



This dog helps the police to do their work.

My dog

I'm Connor and this is my pet dog, Sky.



I give Sky good food and lots of water. I don't give her chocolate!



Sky isn't a small dog. She has two long walks every day.

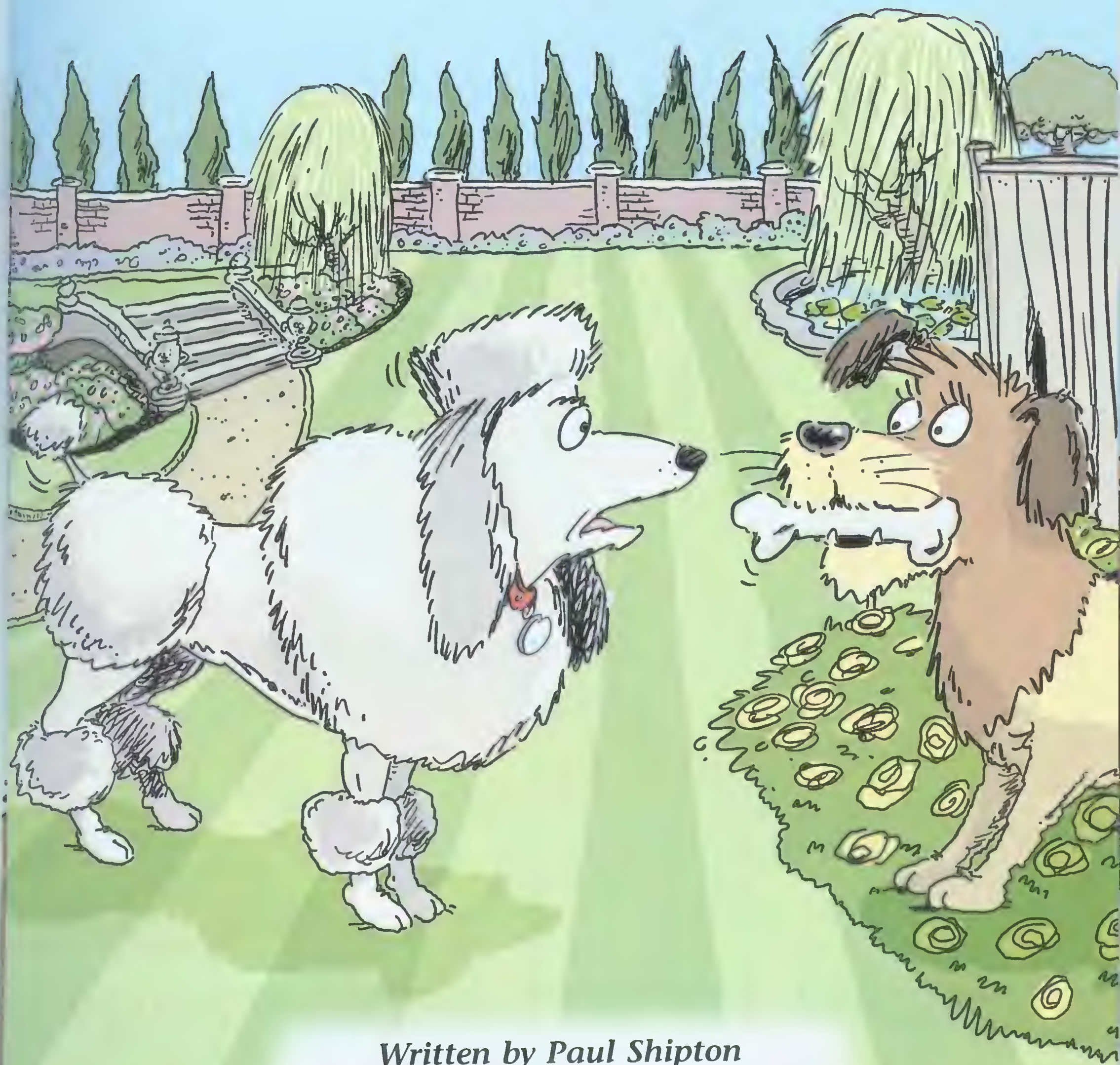


Sky likes toys. This ball is her favourite.



Sky sleeps in a basket at night.

The Big Shöw



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Percy is a white dog. He lives in a big house. He eats nice food. But today he isn't happy.



Suddenly, there's another dog in the garden – a very different dog. She hasn't got an owner or a big house. She lives in the streets.



Hello! What's your name?

I'm Ella.

You're a lucky dog.
I want to be free.

You're a lucky dog. I want
to live in a big house and
eat nice food.



I've got an idea!
Let's change! You
can go in here.

OK. I've got a home!

And I'm free!

Ella runs into the pet carrier and Percy runs off with the bone.



Percy is happy. But there is a big dog in the street. He's very angry. He wants Percy's bone. Percy is afraid. He runs away.



This is Percy's owner. She is called Mrs Plumley.



Ella doesn't want to go to the dog show. But she is in the taxi. She can't escape.



Ella is at the dog show. She is looking at three other dogs. They have got lots of questions for her.

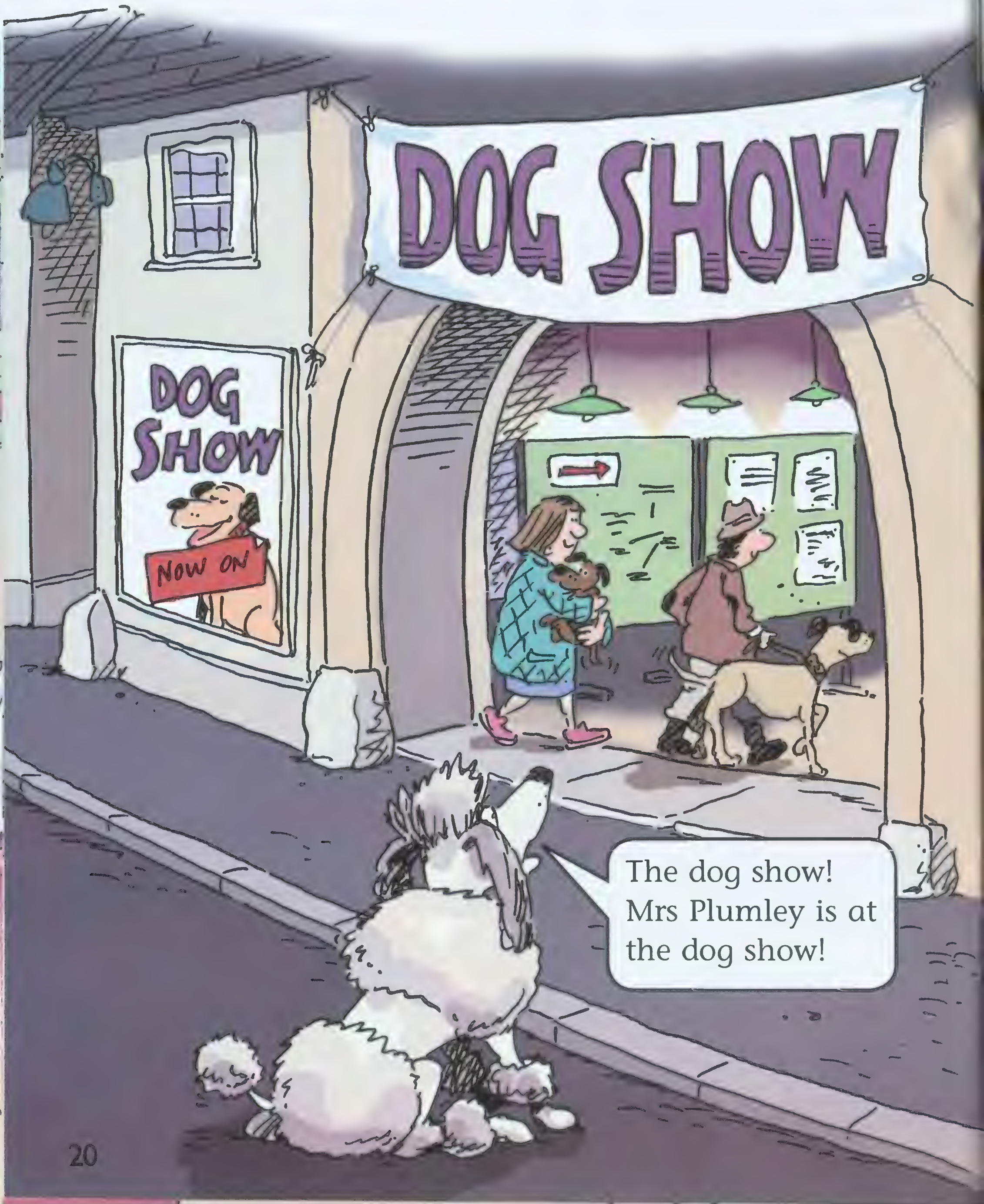


Here is Mrs Plumley. She can't see Percy.
She sees Ella, instead!



The door is open. Ella runs away!

Percy is in the street. He isn't happy.



Inside, Ella is hiding in a dark room with lots of gold trophies. She sees two robbers come in.



Ella runs after the two robbers. She barks at them.
Soon all the other dogs are barking, too.



The robbers run to the door. But here's Percy!
His nice fur is wet and dirty. He's very angry.
The robbers are afraid.



The police take the robbers away. Percy is happy. Mrs Plumley is happy ...



... and Ella is happy, too.

Activities

1 Look and write.

eyes ears face legs tail teeth hair feet



2 Match the sentences to the pictures.

He is sleeping.

2

She is barking.

☐

He is jumping.

☐

She is eating.

☐

He is drinking.

☐

She is running.

☐


3 Look at the pictures and read the sentences.

Write A or B.

A



B



- 1 This dog has got long hair.
- 2 This dog has got a thin face.
- 3 This dog has got a short tail.
- 4 This dog has got long legs and short hair.
- 5 This dog is small.

B

4 Look and write.



This dog has got

5 Match the sentences.



- | | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1 Sky eats | water. |
| 2 She plays | in a basket. |
| 3 She drinks | good food. |
| 4 She has two long | walks every day. |
| 5 She sleeps | with a ball. |



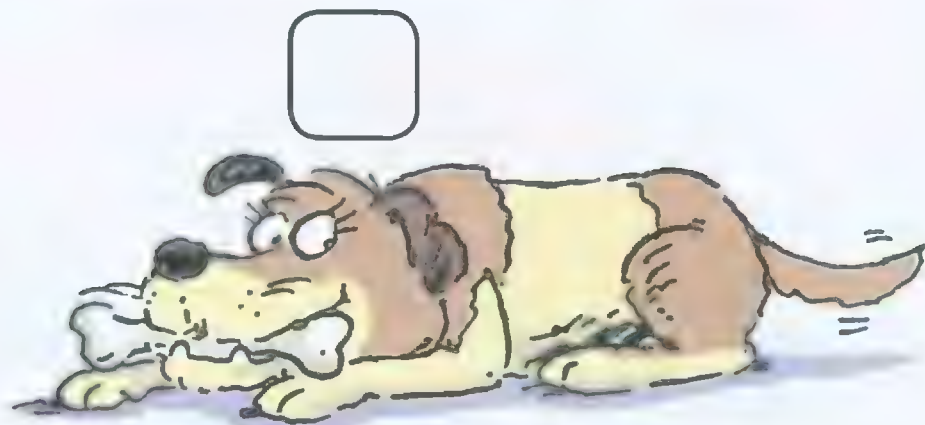
6 Circle T (True) or F (False).

- 1 Ella lives in a big house.
- 2 Percy's owner is called Mrs Plumley.
- 3 Ella goes to the dog show.
- 4 Ella wants to go to the dog show.
- 5 Ella runs after the robbers.
- 6 The robbers are not afraid of Percy.
- 7 The robbers escape.

T	☒ F
T	F
T	F
T	F
T	F
T	F
T	F



7 Who says it? Match the sentences to the pictures.



1 I want to live in a big house and eat nice food.

3 Who is that terrible, dirty dog?

5 Quick! Put them in the bag!

2 Give me your bone!

4 I want to be free.

8 Complete the sentences.

dirty escapes happy open want wet



- 1 Fritz is not happy. He does not _____ to have a bath. He does not want to get _____.



- 2 The window is _____. Fritz runs to it and _____.



- 3 Now Fritz is wet and _____!

Picture Dictionary



world



wolf



fox



sheep



farmer



jackal



hyena



dingo



leg



face



ears



eyes



tail



teeth



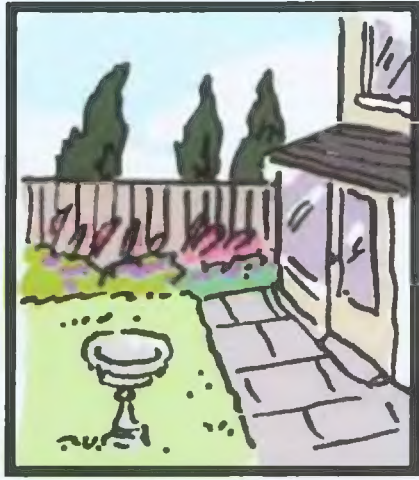
whistle



police



food



garden



street



bone



pet carrier



door



robber



trophy



bag



run



bark



dirty



happy



wet



afraid



angry

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